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Several cases of motorists having lucky escapes after falling into open drains highlight one issue: Broken roads & open drains sans barricades are turning citizens into...

THE FALL GUYS

Traffic police say no complaints filed in these cases; BBMP says it can fence off drains

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In the past few weeks, several motorists have found themselves paying the price for open drains on city roads. Nearly five incidents have been reported where motorists have fallen into these drains, thankfully without major injuries, yet these near-miss accidents highlight a growing concern about urban infrastructure.

The most recent incident occurred on Rayasandra-Gattahalli Road, near Hosa Road where a biker fell into an open drain. The broken road and uncovered drain lacking proper barricades nearby was an accident waiting to happen.

Another such incident occurred in Outer Ring Road, when a two-wheeler rider lost control and

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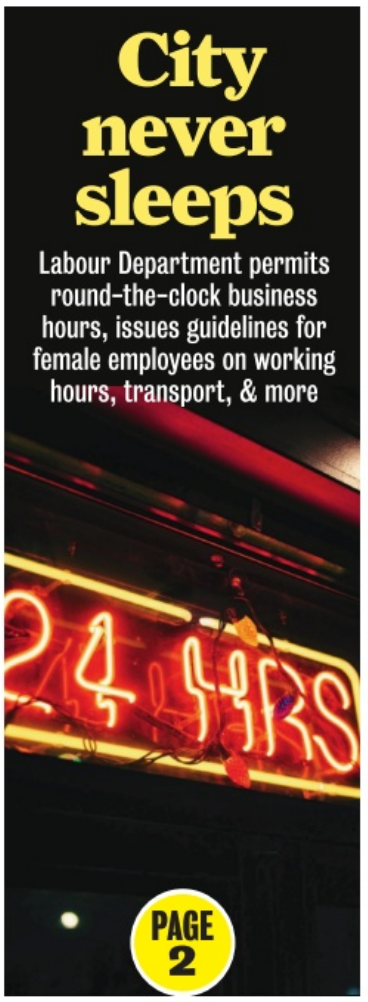
City never sleeps

Labour Department permits round-the-clock business hours, issues guidelines for female employees on working hours, transport, & more



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01 Art exhibit

Sublime Galleria presents "In Serenity," an art exhibition featuring exquisite works by renowned award-winning artist Rashmi Soni. It is not only a series of artworks; it's a way of travelling through the moods of 'the endless beauty of water'. She thinks of water as both turbulent and still, restless yet calm, shapeless but permanent in a way, and this is how she wants to convey her experiences with water through art.
Where: Sublime Gallery, UB City, 8th Floor
When: October 4 onwards

02 Poetry & fiction

This time at "Tuesdays with the Bard @ Urban Solace," listen to Malcolm Carvalho, a writer of poetry and speculative fiction. His work has been featured in several magazines and journals, including Kitaab, Bengaluru Review, Spark, and 365 Tomorrows. His short story 'Amphibians by Night' was shortlisted for the 2023 Deodar Prize. In his poems, Malcolm likes to explore friendships, cities and relationships.
Where: Urban Solace
When: October 1, 7:30 pm to 9 pm

Best furnishing deals for all

From September 16 to November 3, 2024, IKEA Family members can get up to 70% off on select home furnishing products, including furniture, textiles, and decor. Customers spending Rs 10,000 or more will receive a Rs 1,500 voucher via WhatsApp or email. IKEA is also providing free interior design and personal shopping services, offering advice on room or home redesigns. Assembly and installation services are available at 50% off.

For online shoppers, IKEA offers 50% off delivery. Customers spending Rs 750 or more at the in-store restaurant or Swedish food market get Rs 150 off their food bill. This discount can be redeemed between November 7 and December 15, 2024. On Fridays, there is 50% off on select main dishes at the restaurant and a Buy 2, Get 1 Free offer at the Swedish Food Market. Shoppers purchasing home furnishings can get an extra 10% off on purchases over Rs 5,000.

IKEA has introduced a 365-day return policy, allowing customers to return products in their original packaging or assembled. This applies to both in-store and online purchases, with home collection services available.

Shops, commercial firms can now operate 24/7

Labour Department permits round-the-clock business hours for shops and commercial establishments; issues rules, guidelines for female employees

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The Labour Department issued a notification permitting all shops and commercial establishments in the state employing 10 or more persons to be open on a 24x7 basis on all days of the year for a period of three years from the date of publication of this notification in the official gazette.

Guidelines for female staff

It stated that female employees shall not be allowed to work beyond 8 pm on any day in normal circumstances. "Provided that an employer, after obtaining written consent from a woman employee, may allow her to work between 8 pm and 6 am subject to providing adequate protection to her dignity, honour, and safety," the notification issued by the Under Secretary of Labour Department read.

The notification stated that transport arrangements shall be provided to the women employees who work in shifts, and a notice to this effect shall be exhibited at the main entrance of the shop or commercial establishment indicating the availability of the transport. Moreover, women employees shall be provided with restrooms, washrooms, safety lockers, and other amenities. "Every employer employing women employees shall constitute an internal complaints committee against sexual harassment of women under the Sexual Harassment of Woman at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act, 2013 (Central Act 14 of 2013), and the said committee shall be operative," the notification stated.

It stated that the above conditions shall be treated and implemented in addition to those provisions specified in the Karnataka Shops and Establishments Act, 1961, and the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923. "In the case of violation of any statutory provision or any of the above terms and conditions noticed by the inspector or otherwise, necessary penal action shall be initiated against the employer/manager as laid down in the Karnataka Shops and Commercial Establishments Act, 1961, and Karnataka Shops and Commercial Establishments Rules 1963," it stated.

According to the notification, the employer shall appoint additional staff in order to allow every employee to avail one day of holiday in a week on a rotation basis, and the details of every employee shall be exhibited by the employer at a conspicuous place in the shop or commercial establishment. "If the employees are found working on any holiday or after normal duty hours without proper indent of overtime, penal action shall be initiated against the employer/manager."

'Shops can be open on a 24x7 basis on all days for 3 years'

> **"There is no security at night. Some of the hotels, bars, restaurants can be open round the clock but this is certainly not viable for shops and commercial establishments"**
> – MG Balakrishna, president of FKCCI

'Non-viable option'

Meanwhile, Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FKCCI) president MG Balakrishna said the notification would not be a great help for most of the shops and commercial establishments, as it would not be prudent to open the shops and commercial establishments round the clock. "There is no security for shops and commercial establishments at night. It will be difficult for police to provide security round the clock for shops and commercial establishments open 24x7. Some of the hotels, bars, and restaurants can be open round the clock but this is certainly not viable for shops and commercial establishments,'' said Balakrishna.

Guest lecturer delays frustrate students

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Despite the new academic year commencing almost a month ago, government degree colleges across Karnataka are grappling with a severe shortage of teaching staff due to delays in appointing guest lecturers. As a result, students attending these institutions are facing significant academic disruption, with many classes being held for just one hour each day or not at all.

Guest lecturers play a crucial role in government degree colleges in Karnataka, often accounting for 60–80 per cent of the teaching staff. However, the process of appointing them has been delayed once again, raising concerns about the impact on the students' academic calendar. The issue, already mired in legal disputes, shows no clear signs of resolution, leading to growing frustration among students and faculty alike.

A second-year BSc student from a government degree college in KR Circle on condition of anonymity said, "The third semester has started, and we are just having one hour of classes every day. We have no guest lecturers; there are only one or two permanent teachers. We are from underprivileged families and coming to college for studies, but now the situation is different. We're just coming and going without any real learning."

'We've already lost valuable time...this delay in damaging our confidence'

This is not an isolated incident. Last year, a similar delay prompted protests from students, which led to the temporary appointment of some guest lecturers. However, with the current AY starting under the same cloud of uncertainty, students fear their studies may suffer once again. A first-year degree student said, "I travel for over an hour to get to college every day, only to find out there are no classes. We've already lost valuable time, and the longer this goes on, the more anxious we all become about our future. We first-year students haven't learnt anything." Another student from a government college in Mangaluru added, "It feels like our education is not a priority. How can we compete with others if we're not given the same opportunities? The delay in appointing lecturers is damaging our confidence."

Strongly condemning the state government for failing to address the issue, the All India Democratic Students' Organisation (AIDSO) State Committee has demanded that the government take immediate responsibility to resolve the matter and ensure that guest lecturers are appointed as soon as possible. According to AIDSO, if the crisis continues, the academic schedule for the entire year may be jeopardised, further affecting the prospects of students, particularly those from marginalised backgrounds.

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Ovitrap project success: 1,000 more mosquito traps

BBMP expands project to high footfall places, like educational institutions and construction sites

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Asha workers, nursing students & BBMP health officials educate residents on dengue (File photo)

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has expanded its Ovitrap project from 120 pots in the Gopalpura area near Majestic to over 1,000 pots of these mosquito traps across the city.

"Two weeks after the pilot study was launched, we realised the mosquito traps were attracting mosquitoes. The number of dengue cases and other mosquito-borne diseases had reduced considerably in the area. We first increased the number of pots to 300 in Gopalpura, subsequently installing more than 1,000 pots in different areas across all BBMP zones," said Suralkar Vikas Kishore, Special Commissioner (Health), BBMP.

Nearly a month ago, the civic agency installed 120 Ovitrap pots under its pilot study to control mosquito breeding and the spread of diseases such as dengue, Zika virus, and malaria. Ovitrap, a bio device that attracts and destroys mosquitoes, provides an ideal location for Aedes Aegypti to lay their eggs.

According to Kishore, more Ovitrap pots will be installed across the city based on Container Index (CI) of respective areas. CI is the measure of percentage of water-holding containers that are infested with mosquito larvae or pupae.

"We have been conducting a door-to-door survey to understand container index value. Ovitrap pots are being placed in areas or spots with a container index value of more than five percent. After placing the bio pots, the CI value has considerably reduced in these areas," informed Kishore.

BBMP is currently installing Ovitrap pots in and around educational institutions, construction sites, and other places that attract high footfall.

"Since the area covered by one Ovitrap pot is around 500 square feet only, we have to be judicious in selecting spots to install this bio device. Moreover, the number of pots to be placed in an area also depends on the CI value. We are focussing on schools, colleges, and public places, rather than individual houses. Our health team has also identified construction sites as important breeding grounds," said a BBMP official.

The bio device, filled with water and a pesticide 'Pyriproxyfen', attracts Aedes mosquitoes to lay their eggs and then kills both the adult mosquitoes and the eggs. Ovitrap pots require replacement after 30 days.

> **Two weeks after pilot study, we saw results. The number of dengue cases and other mosquito borne diseases had reduced in the area considerably**
>
> –Suralkar Kishore, Spl Comm BBMP

HBR Layout service road neglected for over three years, residents tired of complaining

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The service road along the stormwater drain (SWD) in 5th Block, HBR Layout, has become a dumping ground, much to the frustration of local residents. Despite multiple complaints to the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) offices over the past three years, the situation remains unresolved, leaving the stretch between 1st main and 8th main unusable.

The trouble started in 2021 when the BBMP's SWD team began constructing sidewalls for the stormwater drain. During this process, they damaged the service road and left debris scattered across the area. Since then the road has remained in disrepair, attracting more waste as people from outside the neighbourhood have taken to dumping debris, construction waste, and even animal remains on the road.

Residents have made repeated appeals to the BBMP's Solid Waste Management (SWM) and health teams to clear the garbage, but their pleas have gone unanswered. Over time, the service road has become, not just an eyesore, but a serious health hazard.

One of the residents said, "The construction of SWD sidewalls was done, but debris was left behind. More dumping occurred. After that, an underground pipeline was laid, further damaging the service road. We are now unable to use both the east and west roads located at 5th block. The service road is not even walkable. We have informed the concerned departments many times, but nothing positive has happened. Recently, we noticed tractors coming at night to dump construction materials, adding to the problem. It's becoming unlivable for us."

After SWD sidewall construction in 2021, trouble began at HBR

Vikram Mailar, another resident said, "The service road is a dump yard for all types of waste. When it rains it becomes even unbearable and slippery, and the roads are not even safe to walk on. People from other areas dump commercial waste like cutouts of stickers, clothes, sofas etc. The BBMP team has to restore this road, asphalt it and put CCTV cameras to catch the people dumping waste."

He added, "The lack of action from the authorities has left residents feeling helpless, and despite constant complaints, we continue to receive only verbal assurances. The stretch of road has not been asphalted or made motorable in three years, creating severe inconvenience for those living nearby."

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Potholed road
Nagarbhavi

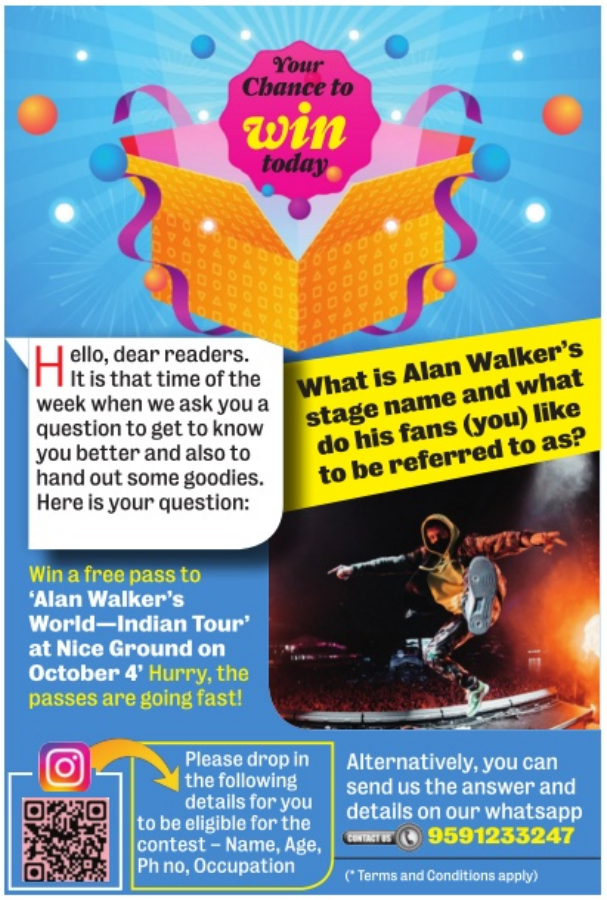
The roads in Papareddypalya, Nagarbhavi, are in poor condition. They are riddled with potholes making it dangerous for daily commuters.

Unofficial dumpyard
Jayanagar

On Masjid Road, Jayanagar, an open plot of land has been turned into a dumpyard. Local vendors are misusing this space, causing a nuisance. It should be fenced off and protected as a reserved garden.

Blocked route
Chickpet

The public road behind the CCB headquarters, Chickpet, has been illegally blocked to public vehicles for over 12 years by the Police Quarters Society without any written permission from the BBMP. This illegal blockade frequently causes traffic jams.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Electoral bonds 'extortion' case: HC halts probe

The Karnataka High Court has temporarily halted further investigation until October 22 in a case registered against Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and others for allegedly extorting money through electoral bonds. The decision was made in response to a quashing petition filed by former State BJP President Naleen Kumar Kateel, who is also an accused in the case.

The complaint, filed by Adarsh Iyer, alleged that government agencies like the Enforcement Directorate (ED) were used to intimidate companies and force them to purchase electoral bonds. Justice M Nagaprasanna, presiding over a single judge bench, stated, "Permitting investigation even prima facie, till the statement of objection is filed by the respondent, will be abuse of process of law. In that light, I deem it appropriate to interdict further investigation in the matter till the next date of hearing."

The Court highlighted that the elements of extortion are defined in Section 383 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), which requires that any informant approaching the court or police must be put under fear and deliver property to the accused for prima facie extortion to be established. It reasoned that criminal law can be initiated by anyone, but certain provisions in the IPC can only be invoked by the aggrieved party. In this case, the complainant is not the aggrieved party under Section 383 of the IPC.

During the hearing, Senior Advocate KG Raghavan, representing Kateel, argued that investing money in electoral bonds "can never be extortion in the eyes of law." On the other hand, Advocate Prashant Bhushan, appearing for the complainant, contended, "If they put the fear in the minds of companies that ED will raid and then they are forced to buy electoral bonds and then ED stops action, then this is a classic case of extortion."—BMB

Join in for VK Street Sambhrama tomorrow

Vijay Karnataka, which has the highest readership in the state, is organising the VK Street Celebration' in collaboration with the Youth Association on Wednesday (October 2) as part of the Dasara festival. The event will feature various competitions that promote education, exciting sports competitions, science-related games, activities highlighting the importance of the environment, and a range of entertainment programs. There will be a festive atmosphere filled with entertainment from morning until night.

People of all ages, from children to adults, can participate in the event as it's a holiday. The science competition will include activities like wooden puzzles, eco-friendly games such as the Eco Trivia Challenge, a recycling relay race, home composting, and more. Additionally, there will be competitions in rangoli, calligraphy, music bands, jembe, mehendi, and many other entertaining activities to delight the audience.

From 10:30 am to 3:30 pm, rapid art competitions, rangoli, face painting, calligraphy, and music band performances will take place. In the afternoon from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm, there will be a junction event, followed by a dandiya dance from 4:30 pm to 6 pm, and a performance by Beat Guru and his team from 6 pm to 8 pm.

—Prakash VL

Where: 10th Main Road, Jayanagar 4th Block, near BDA Complex
When: October 2, 10 am to 8:30 pm
Entry is completely free

Cops, apartments' forum unite to boost road safety

Bengaluru Traffic Police and Bangalore Apartments' Federation (BAF) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU), which aims to promote road safety and reduce traffic congestion in Bengaluru. This will be achieved with the help of real-time traffic alerts by BTP and collaboration between two entities on initiatives to address traffic issues.

Under the initiative, BTP will share traffic updates and alerts with BAF, enabling apartment residents to plan their commutes efficiently. Both parties will also be taking up joint traffic management initiatives under the MoU and will be working together to identify and address traffic bottlenecks, promoting smooth traffic flow.

Traffic police will also provide data analytics and insights to BAF, helping optimise traffic management. Community engagement is an important aspect of the initiative, whereby regular workshops, awareness campaigns, and events will be organised to educate residents on road safety and responsible driving.

Information access

BAF will integrate platforms in its mobile application to enable access to the above information for its residents.

—BMB

8-hour-old infant rescued

Residents of Katriguppe Dinne on Monday morning rescued a newborn baby discovered buried alive in an isolated spot on the outskirts of Sarjapura. Upon rescuing the baby, they immediately alerted the police. Officers rushed to the scene and transported the newborn to the hospital for treatment. The infant, just 8 hours old, is now responding well to medical care, according to the police. The Sarjapura police have registered a case and launched an investigation to trace the baby's parents. —BMB

Brakes on dangerous rides to schools

21 drivers ferrying school children booked for drunk driving, 445 vehicles overloaded

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The traffic police conducted a special check into 3,924 school buses on Monday between 7.30 and 12 pm, and found that 21 drivers were driving under the influence of alcohol, while 445 vehicles were carrying more than the advised number of children.

The alarming number of drivers booked for drunk driving raises questions about the safety measures in place for school transportation. This plus the excess children being packed into buses with a capacity of 20 to 30 has heightened worries.

In some instances, vehicles designed to carry four children were found overloaded with six children or the buses where 20 to 30 passengers were allowed, 45 were found. These vehicles were booked under laws that restrict the number of passengers a vehicle can carry, particularly those transporting schoolchildren.

The risks associated with overloading go beyond just discomfort. In case of an emergency or accident, the overcrowded vehicles can lead to devastating outcomes. While the traffic police officials are now tightening the reins, Joint Commissioner of Police MN Anuchet said that as stricter measures, the permits of these vehicles are being sent to the transport department and being recommended for cancellation.

School buses have a capacity of 20-30 passengers

"It is a welcome initiative, but we hope for regular enforcement that would prevent unsafe situations and ensure the safety of school children –Ashish Verma, IISc

In response, Ashish Verma, Professor of Transportation System Engineering, at Indian Institute of Science (IISc) said, "It is a welcome initiative, but we hope for regular enforcement that would prevent unsafe situations and ensure the safety of school children on the roads."

Shiv Prakash Devaraj, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Traffic South Division, Bengaluru City said the checks are being conducted regularly now. We've observed drunk driving and overloading in both buses and autos, which is unsafe for children. We've discussed these concerns with school authorities and are actively enforcing the rules."

A social media user suggested that every school ensure that all their bus drivers are tested for alcohol consumption before departing from the school premises.

Saheli, a social media user, commented on the post about the special drive, stating, "These individuals are charging parents a lot of money while being completely unaware of these situations..."

Crackdown on drunk driving

In a city-wide initiative, the Traffic Police conducted a special drive from September 23 to 29, targeting motorists driving under the influence of alcohol. The operation spanned all traffic police stations across the city, checking a total of 60,047 vehicles.

Over the seven-day period, 835 cases were registered against offenders for violating the Indian Motor Vehicle Act, 1988.

In addition to this, a special night traffic operation was conducted in Bengaluru's southern division. During this initiative, 7,843 vehicles were inspected, and 99 cases of drunk driving were booked in various areas, including Banashankari, Micolayout, and Bellandur V V Puram, Basavanagudi, Jayanagar, KS Layout, Madivala, Yelahanka, HSR Layout, Electronic City, Bellandur.

Lethal mix: Congested roads and open drains

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skidded into an uncovered drain. Though the rider escaped with minor bruises, the incident points to improper civic management. The absence of barricades or warning signs around these open drains makes them a significant hazard, especially at night when visibility is low.

Motorists have voiced their frustrations, with many calling for immediate action from local authorities. One commuter, who narrowly avoided a fall, shared, "The roads are already congested, and these open drains make it even more dangerous. We need better maintenance and quicker response from the authorities."

While it is the civic body's responsibility to address this issue and take necessary actions with regards to covering these drains and installing adequate safety measures, BM spoke to the traffic police stations to understand what action can be taken. "Many of these incidents go unreported, which prevents us from taking necessary action, as victims need to file a complaint for the police to intervene. When we come across such cases on social media, we immediately urge the victims to contact 112 for appropriate action," said a traffic police official.

Fencing doesn't help

Public safety has come into question as these uncovered drains can become fatal, especially during monsoon, when roads are prone to waterlogging.

A Marathahalli resident recounted a frustrating incident that occurred on Saturday while returning home from a restaurant. "I had booked a cab, but we were dropped off halfway due to the limitations of an electric vehicle. It was raining heavily, and the roads were waterlogged. As my friend and I tried to make our way back, we couldn't see an open drain on the road. Despite being cautious with each step, I fell into the drain, but luckily, my friend caught me," said Gayathri, expressing frustration over the negligence of the authorities.

While residents, citizens and motorists demand adequate safety measures, proper cautions and barricades from the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) authorities, they say that these drains cannot be closed.

"These roadside drains cannot be covered, as they need to allow water from the roads to flow directly into them to prevent waterlogging. What we can do, and what we are doing, is installing fences around the drains to ensure they don't pose a risk to the public or motorists," said a senior BBMP engineer, adding that motorists should also exercise caution while riding.

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'Mission 3K- 3000 hearts, One Beat'

Manipal Hospitals sets new Guinness World Record of 3,319 CPR performances in 24 hours

Manipal Hospital hosted 'Mission 3K – 3000 Hearts, One Beat', a relay-style Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) event that broke the existing Guinness World Record for the most CPR performances in a single day. With 3,319 participants trained, the event surpassed the previous record of 2,619 CPRs, setting a new global standard. Each participant in 'Mission 3K – 3000 Hearts, One Beat' was required to perform 60 chest compressions, with less than 0.5 seconds allowed for transitions between individuals. The event, held at Manipal Hospital Old Airport Road, ran continuously over 24 hours.

The 3,319 trained participants took turns performing CPR on a single mannequin. The event employed innovative techniques, going completely paperless through digitalization. External medical professionals served as official witnesses to oversee the proceedings. Dr. H Sudarshan Ballal, Chairman of Manipal Hospitals, stated, "At Mission 3K – 3000 Hearts, One Beat, we are proud to be part of this historic event in collaboration with the Guinness World Records on World Heart Day 2024. Our goal is not just to set a record by performing 3,000 continuous CPRs, but to spread an important message—CPR saves lives. If someone collapses or experiences a heart attack, CPR can revive them. I urge everyone to learn this life-saving skill. Manipal Hospitals is ready to train you, and together, we can save countless lives."

Mission 3K–3000 Hearts, One Beat event was held at Manipal Hospital

The initiative demonstrated the synergy of the Manipal Hospital South Cluster, with 12 units, including Mysuru and Salem, joining Old Airport Road for the event. The event was planned to ensure seamless coordination, with participants arriving in scheduled batches to meet strict timelines. With an average of three CPR performances per minute, Manipal Hospitals successfully completed 3,319 CPR performances within the designated time. Over 30 nursing colleges from across Bengaluru collaborated, playing a crucial role in the event's success, while hospital staff, including nurses and paramedics, were on standby to provide support for this ambitious attempt.

Harassment case: Ola told to pay woman Rs 5 lakh

Karnataka High Court also ordered Ola Cabs to hold inquiry under POSH act

The Karnataka High Court has ordered ANI Technologies, the parent company of OLA Cabs, to compensate a woman who was allegedly sexually harassed by one of their drivers during a trip in 2019. The compensation amount has been set at Rs 5 lakh. The court has also instructed the company's Internal Complaints Committee to conduct an inquiry into the complaint, in accordance with the provisions of the Sexual Harassment of Woman At Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 [POSH Act]. The inquiry must be completed within 90 days, and a report must be submitted to the District Officer.

The court has also cautioned the stakeholders to ensure compliance with Section 16 of the POSH Act and to maintain the confidentiality of the identities of the persons involved in the matter. In addition to the compensation, ANI Technologies has been directed to pay Rs 50,000 towards litigation expenses.

The petitioner had filed a complaint with ANI Technologies in 2019, seeking action against the driver who had allegedly subjected her to sexual harassment. However, the company's Internal Complaints Committee declined to hold an inquiry into the matter, based on the advice of an external legal counsel who claimed that the committee did not have jurisdiction to investigate the matter. As a result, the petitioner approached the high court, seeking a direction for the company to inquire into the complaint and for the Union Ministry of Women and Child Development to ensure that OLA strictly complies with the POSH Act. The petitioner also sought directions from the State government to issue necessary rules to protect women and children availing taxi services and ensure their safety and security.

During the hearing, the counsel for the petitioner argued that OLA is not merely a platform but acts like a transport company, and that there is no privity of contract between the company and the driver, but rather between the company and the petitioner.

Court can stay divorce till husband clears maintenance payment

The Karnataka High Court has recently ruled that courts have the authority to halt divorce proceedings initiated by the husband until he clears any outstanding maintenance payments owed to the wife, as per the court's order.

The decision was made while the high court granted a petition submitted by an estranged wife, overturning the trial court's order that had rejected her application to stay the divorce proceedings initiated by the husband due to his failure to pay the arrears of interim maintenance.

The high court acknowledged that the Civil Procedure Code provides a mechanism for executing court orders. However, it noted that in matrimonial cases, there are thousands of pending execution petitions, and in some instances, parties struggle to meet their basic needs while the opposing parties, despite disobeying court orders, continue to benefit from further orders issued by the court.

The court stated, "In these matrimonial proceedings, the court while exercising the jurisdiction under Section 151 (Saving of inherent powers of Court) of CPC and under Order 6 Rule 16 (Striking out pleadings) of CPC, should either stay the proceedings or strike off the pleadings. This to some extent will subserve the ends of justice. It will also send a message to the concerned that they cannot get away with non-compliance of the orders of the court and deprive the other party from the fruits of the order." —BMB

BM Education

CBSE launches 10 bagless days initiative

In an effort to promote holistic and hands-on learning, the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has directed all affiliated schools to implement 10 bagless days each academic year. This initiative is designed to encourage students to step away from traditional classroom settings and participate in more interactive, practical activities that foster both creativity and critical thinking. Dr Biswajit Saha, Director of Skill Education at CBSE, highlighted the importance of the programme. "The concept of bagless days is intended to reduce the burden of carrying school bags while engaging students in enjoyable, educational activities. From art to music to sports and vocational crafts like carpentry, gardening, and pottery making, these activities provide opportunities for students to discover new interests and develop practical skills," Saha said.

Alignment with National Education Policy 2020

The 10 Bagless Days initiative is closely aligned with the broader goals of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which emphasises a move away from rote learning and encourages schools to focus on critical thinking, creativity, and experiential learning. By incorporating hands-on activities into the curriculum, CBSE aims to provide a more well-rounded education that prepares students for future challenges. Bagless days, as part of this vision, encourage schools to integrate interactive activities like arts, crafts, and visits to historical and cultural sites.

Experiential learning beyond the classroom

One of the key components of the bagless days initiative is the opportunity for students to participate in field trips and educational tours. Schools are encouraged to take students to historical monuments, cultural sites, craft centres, and places of tourist interest. These experiences will enable students to meet local artists and craftsmen, broadening their understanding of traditional crafts and the importance of preserving cultural heritage. "The hands-on nature of these activities allows students to appreciate the value of learning beyond textbooks," said Saha. "It also helps inculcate a sense of love for learning and going to school every day." This experiential learning approach will also expose students to potential career paths by giving them the chance to intern with local vocational experts like carpenters, gardeners, and potters. These internships, designed for students in grades 6–8, will help them understand the skills required in various work areas, making it easier for them to make informed career decisions later in life.

Bridging gap between theory and practice

The bagless days initiative aims to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application. According to the CBSE guidelines, students will be exposed to multi-skill activities that foster the development of soft skills such as teamwork, creativity, cooperation, and quality consciousness. These activities will also promote the judicious use of raw materials, enhancing students' awareness of sustainability. "By integrating work with academic subjects, students will learn scientific principles and concepts that closely relate to the occupations and career opportunities in the world of work," explained Saha. The skills they develop during the programme will help them visualise potential career paths. The programme is expected to not only enhance knowledge acquisition but also instill values and encourage multi-skill development.

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VK & BM 2024 Excellence Awards Celebrate Real Estate Visionaries

It was a moment of pride when Bangalore Mirror and Vijay Karnataka honoured the stalwarts of the construction and housing sectors with prestigious awards VK and BM Real Estate Excellence Awards 2024. Union Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Railways, V. Somanna, expressed his appreciation, stating, "What the government should be doing, VK and BM is achieving."

Every individual dreams of owning a home, and by recognizing the achievers in the real estate industry who fulfill this dream, this initiative is highly meaningful, said V Somanna

He was speaking at the 'VK and BM Real Estate Excellence Awards 2024' ceremony, organized by Vijay Karnataka and Bangalore Mirror, where outstanding performers in the construction and housing industry were felicitated.

"The Times of India group, with a legacy of 185 years, is a household name across the state, and its sister publications, Vijay Karnataka and Bangalore Mirror are known not only for delivering news but also for its socially responsible initiatives. Celebrating its silver jubilee, VK has consistently raised the voice for justice when people of the state faced injustice.

The newspaper is also fostering leadership among the youth," Somanna added. "Today, the media industry has expanded significantly, leaving little time to verify the truth in the midst of competition. Despite this, VK and BM have maintained accuracy and reliability," he emphasized.

VIJAY KARNATAKA and BANGALORE MIRROR celebrated the achievements of the construction and housing sector at the annual Real Estate Excellence Awards 2024. The glittering event recognized outstanding individuals and organizations contributing to the growth of the industry. Union Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Railways V. Somanna, MLA Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan, actors Bhavya and Priya Shathamarshan, VK and Bangalore Mirror CEO Deepak Saluja, and VK Editor Sudarshan Channangihalli were present at the event.

A Challenging Sector

Malleswaram MLA and former Deputy Chief Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan, also present at the event, remarked, "The real estate industry is full of challenges. Every day, those in this sector face numerous issues. Life itself starts from the ground, and those in the real estate business provide the foundation for people's lives."

He further highlighted the strong link between the IT-BT sector and real estate, saying, "Real estate developers have played a vital role in Bengaluru's success.

More attention needs to be given to developing infrastructure in the city, and we are committed to ensuring a conducive environment for real estate professionals to work without obstacles."

Contributing to Sustainable Development

Speaking at the event, Deepak Saluja, CEO of Vijay Karnataka and Bangalore Mirror, said, "Proactivity, creativity, and efficiency are the core traits of real estate entrepreneurs. Everyone desires a safe home, and real estate professionals are fulfilling this need with integrity.

They provide modern, high-quality homes at affordable prices with all necessary infrastructure, making a significant contribution to the sustainable development of both the state and the country. VK and BM are proud to recognize and encourage these achievers."

Building Society

VK Editor Sudarshan Channangihalli also shared his thoughts, stating, "In society, negative aspects often outweigh positive ones, but real estate developers have created countless job opportunities and served as role models through their unwavering hard work.

This recognition celebrates their dedication, and it is part of a larger effort to build a better society."

He added, "As VK celebrates its 25th anniversary, the people of Karnataka have supported the paper with love and trust. VK has always been the voice of Kannadigas, never siding with any political party or individual, but instead working tirelessly to keep people informed and aware."

Channangihalli emphasized VK's mission of engaging with people, understanding their aspirations, and addressing their needs.

"We have been organizing events for farmers, students, doctors, and various sections of society.

Whether it's about Kannada culture, agriculture, cinema, or technology, VK has always been at the forefront," he said.

The event was further graced by well-known actresses Bhavya and Priya Shatamarshan, who extended their best wishes to the award winners and added glamour to the occasion.

Bringing Affordable Homes to the Middle Class

Bhaarath Builders, an emerging name in the real estate industry, is making waves in the city with its innovative projects. Their primary mission is to provide affordable housing solutions for the middle class in Bengaluru. Founded by **Chandrachood BR,** an MBA graduate from Maddur in Mandya district, Bhaarath Builders comes with over 15 years of experience in the real estate sector.

In 2021, Chandrachood took the leap and established Bhaarath Builders, with their first project being Malgudi Layout. Currently, Bhaarath Builders are constructing Arka Iris Grand on Hennagara Main Road.

This project, designed to reflect Indian culture, will be completed in the next three months. Approved by RERA and BMRDA, the building incorporates advanced construction technology and is designed to maximize natural light and ventilation.

Chandrachood BR, Founder, Bhaarath Builders

Catering to the Growing Demand for Service Apartments

As Bengaluru rapidly grows into a hub for health tourism, attracting patients from various states and countries, the demand for service apartments has skyrocketed. Many patients and their families need to stay for extended periods for follow-up treatments, making hotel stays expensive and impractical.

Hence, Bhaarath Builders is addressing this demand by developing service apartments within a 5 km radius of Narayana Hrudayalaya. These apartments, set in a serene environment, are perfectly suited for patients and their families, offering a comfortable and convenient stay during their medical journey.

Commitment to Quality and Sustainability

Bhaarath Builders prioritizes not only customer satisfaction but also environmental sustainability. Each project is designed to be eco-friendly, with a strong focus on timely completion and handover to customers.

The company's ongoing projects are equipped with modern amenities, including a gym, rooftop gazebo, sports area, jogging and cycling tracks, CCTV, landscaped gardens, DG backup, senior citizens' relaxation area, and laundry services.

Innovative Designs and Advanced Construction Techniques

Bhaarath Builders isn't just focused on residential apartments; they have also ventured into commercial buildings and schools. They lead the way in using steel for pillars, beams, and roofs, a construction method that, while costlier than traditional techniques, ensures faster construction and greater durability.

This method has been applied to the construction of several schools and showrooms in the city, significantly reducing the use of water, labor, and pollution during the construction process. Chandrachood is passionate about contributing to the country and promoting Indian culture.

He regularly organizes events through various organizations that showcase and celebrate Indian traditions.

In the future, Bhaarath Builders plans to host activities such as yoga, life skills training, personal development sessions, rooftop gardening, jogging, and cycling in their apartment complexes, fostering a healthy and vibrant community.

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Driven by determination, hard work, and unwavering trust, Dr S.P. Dayanand stands as a testament to what can be achieved with perseverance. As the director of DS-MAX Properties Pvt. Ltd., he is now a household name in Karnataka and across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

Dr S P Dayanand came to Bengaluru in 2004 seeking employment, initially taking on small jobs to make ends meet. Through relentless effort, patience, and a deep sense of integrity, he rose from humble beginnings to a leadership role in DS-MAX Properties in 2007 under the mentorship and guidance of Dr K V Satish, the chairman of the group. The company has achieved remarkable success, far surpassing all expectations.

Focused on realizing the dream of owning a home for the working and middle classes, DS-MAX has already completed several projects and provided homes to over 35,000 families. Currently, another 12,000 homes are in various stages of development.

Creating Jobs and Empowering Communities

What began as a company with just five employees has now expanded to provide direct employment to over 3,500 individuals. In addition, DS-MAX indirectly creates jobs for nearly 10,000 people through its various ongoing projects.

The brand's reputation, trust, and reliability have grown, so prospective buyers are lining up to register whenever DS-MAX launches a new project.

Commitment to Social Welfare

Dr S P Dayanand, under the visionary leadership of Dr K V Satish, is deeply committed to social welfare, following the philosophy of hard work and service. In partnership with the Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation Limited, DS-MAX has successfully completed over 8,000 homes as part of state government housing schemes.

The company is also working on housing projects for Andhra Pradesh and Telangana governments. Recently, DS-MAX was entrusted with the construction of a Pharmacy college and hostel building at the prestigious Siddaganga Mutt in Tumakuru.

His contributions have been recognized with numerous awards, including the Lifetime Achievement Award and other honours for his real estate and philanthropy work.

Dr S P Dayanand,
Managing Director
DS Max Properties Pvt. Ltd

Vision for Supporting Orphans

One of Dr K V Satish's most heartfelt initiatives is an orphanage that he founded for children aged 6 to 15. Driven by the belief that orphans deserve dignity and a future filled with opportunity, the orphanage provides shelter, quality education, and care, which all the group leaders wholeheartedly support.

The group's vision extends beyond just providing a home; they plan to support these children until they secure employment and even assist with their marriages, ensuring they are well-integrated into society.

Honouring Talent in Arts and Literature

The group also sets new benchmarks by recognizing talent in the fields of literature and cinema. Each year, DS-MAX bestows the Sahitya Shree and Kala Shree awards to artists and authors who have made significant contributions to their fields. They have honoured over 400 senior artists with the Kala Shree award and 70 authors with the Sahitya Shree award.

Future Plans in Healthcare

After a roaring success in real estate, the group has ambitious goals for the healthcare sector. By 2030, the group aims to establish five hospitals to serve the underprivileged. This dream project reflects their ongoing commitment to social service. In the meantime, the group continue to organize free health check-ups, blood donation drives, and eye camps.

Collaborating with doctors from Modi Hospital, the group regularly conducts health camps in Bengaluru and across the state, offering much-needed medical services to those in need. With every venture, Dr K V Satish & Dr S P Dayanand exemplify that business success and social responsibility can go hand in hand.

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ELV Projects: Expanding Horizons to Dubai

ELV PROJECTS

From humble beginnings to leading a global company, **Dr. E Bhaskar**, the founder and chairman of ELV Projects Pvt Ltd, has built a remarkable legacy. Starting with his father's modest business in cement ring installations for wells in Hyderabad, Bhaskar's journey to success is inspiring.

Despite the challenges of poverty, he completed his education and went on to establish ELV Projects, a company that provides quality housing, especially for the middle class, offering affordable villas and apartments. He's also a pioneer in constructing eco-friendly apartments, leaving a lasting mark on the industry.

Through sheer dedication and hard work, Bhaskar has elevated ELV Projects to new heights. Investors and customers alike have enjoyed substantial returns, with many partnering with the company for over a decade. Known for their premium villa and apartment projects in Bengaluru and Hyderabad, ELV Projects is now expanding into Dubai, with an office already set up and construction projects underway in the region.

Dr. E Bhaskar,
Founder and chairman
of ELV Projets Pvt Ltd

2,000 Homes Under Construction

With over 2,000 homes currently under construction across Hyderabad and Bengaluru, Bhaskar has secured premium land spanning 300 acres in these two cities for future developments. In the coming years, the company plans to launch five new projects in Bengaluru and two in Hyderabad.

Support for Sports Initiatives

Dr. Bhaskar's contributions extend beyond real estate. He is a keen supporter of sports, sponsoring cricket tournaments, marathons, and kickboxing events, helping to foster talent and encourage physical fitness.

Philanthropy and Honorary Doctorate

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Bhaskar made a significant impact by distributing over 3,000 free food kits and providing emergency oxygen cylinders to those in need. He also rebuilt homes for families who lost theirs due to floods in Whitefield and Gandhipura.

Further, he adopted and developed sacred sites in Munnekolala, establishing libraries and water stations in his home district of Nalgonda, and took the initiative to modernize a government school in Gurramkonda.

His unwavering commitment to social causes, including supporting cancer patients, offering free ambulance services, and supplying clean water to communities, has earned him widespread recognition. For his philanthropic work, a Dubai university honored him with a doctorate in 2021.

Commitment to Quality

Since its inception in 2009, ELV Projects has consistently prioritized quality. Known for building apartments with impeccable standards, the company ensures that no compromises are made regarding the infrastructure of its housing projects. Alongside its real estate accomplishments, ELV Projects has also gained recognition for its contributions to community development.

From meeting daily necessities to incorporating cutting-edge technologies, ELV Projects leads across all fronts. The company treats its employees like family, reflecting its deep sense of responsibility and values in everything it does.

With ELV Projects expanding its footprint internationally and continuing to make a difference both in real estate and the community, it's clear that the company's vision is as bold as its founder's remarkable journey.

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Sanjay Baid: A Visionary Leader Reshaping Real Estate

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Hailing from Rajasthan in search of a livelihood, **Sanjay Baid**'s journey to Bengaluru is an inspiring story of hard work, discipline, and integrity. Today, he stands as a pioneer in the real estate sector, known for charting new directions and achieving success.

Arriving in Bengaluru 24 years ago, Sanjay began his career in the automotive finance industry, where he worked for eight years. His entrepreneurial spirit soon took over, and in 2009, he transitioned to real estate, initially supporting developers with land sales.

By 2015, he had established his own company, **Guru Punavaanii Properties Pvt. Ltd**, setting a new benchmark in the industry.

2,500 Satisfied Customers

From a modest background, Sanjay faced numerous challenges along the way. However, driven by determination and relentless effort, he built a successful business. Known for his customer-centric approach, he has earned the trust of clients by delivering legally clear, high-quality plots on time. Today, Guru Punavaanii Properties Pvt. Ltd boasts a clientele of over 2,500 satisfied customers and provides employment to 70 people.

5 Completed Projects

Guru Punavaanii Properties Pvt. Ltd has created affordable residential communities, primarily targeting the middle class. Starting with residential projects, the company has expanded into farm lands, villas, and industrial sheds.

To date, they have sold 28 lakh square feet of plots and are currently working on 22 new projects. Sanjay's ambitious goal is to sell an additional 60 lakh square feet over the next three years.

Ongoing Projects

Several exciting developments are underway, including "Etasha," Bengaluru's first island-style project spread over 13 acres near Tumkur Road, and "Exotica," a 11-acre project near Anekal-Attibele Road.

Other major projects include "Eternia" (10 acres near Mysore Road), "Eureka" (16 acres near Darapur-Bidadi, approved by BMRDA), and "Eka" (45 acres near Anekal-Hosur Road). Additionally, "Primrose" (9 acres in Jigani, Bannerghatta), and "Sankeshwar" (14 acres in Mulbagal) are also in progress.

Dream Projects

Sanjay's mission is to ensure that landowners, customers purchasing plots, and the workforce involved in the projects are all happy and fulfilled. With plans to develop a 70-acre industrial plotting project, Sanjay has already completed title verification for 40 acres. Another exciting upcoming venture is "Villa Elegance," a luxury villa project set to begin construction in November.

Sanjay Baid
Founder of Guru Punavaanii Properties Pvt. Ltd

Awards and Recognition

For his contributions to real estate, Sanjay Baid has received numerous accolades, including the Best Emerging Developer of the Year award in 2020 for his plotted developments.

In 2023, ET Achievers recognized him as the Best Plotted Developer of the Year, and in 2024, he was honoured as the Most Promising Developer of the Year. Recently, he also received the Real Estate Excellence Award 2024 from Vijay Karnataka and Bangalore Mirror.

Social Contributions

Sanjay Baid believes in giving back to society and donates 1% of his company's profits to social and religious causes.

Every month, he provides essential supplies to temples, schools, and orphanages. He has also supported the education of numerous underprivileged students. His future ambitions include opening a hospital and schools to provide quality healthcare and education to the underprivileged and differently-abled.

Through his leadership and vision, Sanjay Baid has truly become a transformative leader in the real estate industry, touching lives and building trust, one project at a time.

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The layouts are further beautified with ample greenery and attractive landscaping, adding to their overall charm and appeal.

Founded in Bengaluru in 2007, KNS Infrastructure has successfully developed 35 projects so far. In 2020, the company expanded its reach to Mysuru with four new projects, while the remaining 31 projects were completed in and around Bengaluru.

The company has created layouts on prominent roads such as Tumkur Road, Mysore Road, Doddaballapur Road, and Sarjapur Road, catering to a wide range of customers.

Ongoing Projects

KNS Infrastructure is currently working on several projects under the brand name KNS Anantha, located on Tumkur Road, near Nelamangala, Doddaballapur Road, Mysore Road, and Hoskote Road.

The company is also planning a new project in Mysuru, further expanding its footprint.

Prime Locations

The company takes great care in selecting prime locations for residential layouts. Every aspect, from roads to drainage, electricity, and water supply, is designed with quality in mind, earning KNS Infrastructure a reputation for excellence. This focus on quality is what draws customers to their projects.

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Fulfilling the Urban Dream of Farming

MOTHER EARTH GROUP

In an era where young people are moving away from agriculture and flocking to urban areas, **Mother Earth Farm Land** is setting itself apart by reconnecting urban professionals with the farming culture in a unique and innovative way.

Founded in 2015 by **Chandrappa,** a farmer from Kumbalgod, the initiative aims to revitalize interest in agriculture among the educated urban workforce, especially those in IT and BT sectors. With a strong background in farming, Chandrappa has successfully attracted city dwellers towards this rewarding lifestyle by offering managed farmlands where they can invest and engage in farming over weekends. Located just 50 km from Bengaluru, near the lush valley in Channapatna, Mother Earth Farmland has completed several successful projects including Coconut Grove Managed Farmland Phase 1 & 2 and Mango Grove Managed Farmland. The latest project, Beehive Farmland, is now in progress.

Investing in Farmland, Enjoying the Weekend: With Mother Earth Farm Land, individuals can purchase a minimum of 5 guntas of land and receive all the support necessary to pursue farming as a hobby. From

labour to machinery, everything is provided, making it easy for professionals to indulge in agriculture on weekends. Families are also catered for, with dedicated play areas for children, making it a perfect getaway from the urban hustle. This innovative concept has attracted over 400 investors, including corporate professionals, lawyers, film stars, and entrepreneurs, all of whom have purchased land and joined the co-farming revolution.

Job Creation and Sustainability

Mother Earth Farm Land has not only created a thriving community for urbanites but has also provided employment to over 100 individuals, many of whom come from farm-

Chandrappa, Founder of **Mother Earth Farm Land, with his family**

ing families. In addition to housing facilities for workers, the project promotes sustainable farming practices, including poultry farming, beekeeping, and the preservation of Malnad cow breeds. Agricultural training is provided to both workers and investors. The company celebrates traditional festivals such as Sankranti and Ugadi, ensuring that the cultural roots of farming are kept alive. So far, they have planted 25,000 saplings around the farmland, with a goal to plant 1 lakh trees, enhancing both the environment and the community.

New Way to Care for Elders

Another heartening trend emerging from the project is that many landowners are choosing to house their elderly parents on the farmland, allowing them to live in a peaceful environment while the family visits over the weekend. This has offered a meaningful alternative to senior care homes, where many urban dwellers typically send their parents.

Corporate Social Responsibility

Chandrappa is deeply involved in social service, supporting the surrounding villages by providing sports equipment and academic awards to government schools. He also offers financial support to guest teachers and trains school children in tree planting and environmental conservation, fostering the next generation's respect for nature.

Sustainable Living

Unlike typical real estate projects focused purely on profit, Chandrappa's vision is to provide a sanctuary for those stressed by modern urban life. His aim is to draw people back to the simplicity and tranquility of farming, allowing them to rejuvenate their minds and bodies by working on the land during weekends. This is not just about investing in land—it's about investing in peace, well-being, and a sustainable future.

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A Beacon of Hope for the Middle and Lower Income Families

SG GROUPS
Developers & Promoters

In a fast-growing real estate market, **SG Groups Developers & Promoters** is making a significant impact by helping middle and lower-income families in Bengaluru achieve their dream of owning a home. Founded in 2017 by **S Jagadeesh**, a visionary entrepreneur from Hulivana village in Kunigal taluk, SG Group has become synonymous with trust and quality in the real estate sector.

With over 13 years of experience in real estate, Jagadeesh established SG Group to cater to the housing needs of families who migrate to Bengaluru from various parts of the state, searching for better opportunities. These individuals often dream of owning a home in the city, and SG Groups is making this a reality by offering affordable plots and constructing homes at competitive prices.

Completed Projects Across Bengaluru

SG Groups has successfully completed seven major residential projects around Tavarekere, including Vinayaka Layout Phases 1, 2, and 3, SG Hilite, SG Enclave, SG Hill View, and Vijay Enclave near Mysore Road. With a total development area of 14 acres, the company is methodically working on its goal of launching one new project every year. Currently, SG Groups is developing its 8th project at Hunnigere, located on Magadi Road.

Building Communities, Not Just Houses

Beyond developing residential layouts, SG Groups has also ventured into construction. Jagadeesh and his team are currently working on 22 building projects in areas like Nagarabhavi and Annapoorneshwari Nagar, demonstrating their capability in delivering high-quality housing solutions.

A Trusted Name with Satisfied Customers

With a growing base of over 350 satisfied customers, SG Groups has built a strong reputation for trust and reliability. The company provides excellent service to its customers without relying heavily on advertisements.

Instead, it thrives on word-of-mouth recommendations from existing clients, many of whom encourage their friends and family to invest in SG Groups properties. The

company also offers convenient loan facilities to make the home-buying process smoother.

A Responsible Employer

Hailing from a humble background, Jagadeesh has always believed in giving back to the community. SG Groups employs over 40 individuals, many of whom come from rural areas. Additionally, the company ensures that all its employees are well taken care of, offering mid-day meals for staff members working in its offices.

A Tribute to Puneeth Rajkumar

A devoted fan of the late actor Puneeth Rajkumar since childhood,

S Jagadeesh, Founder, SG Groups, Developers and Promoters

Jagadeesh is working on a project to build a statue of the beloved star at the Nelamangala Bypass Junction. He is currently in the process of obtaining approval from local authorities and legislators to bring this tribute to life.

Giving Back to Society

True to the philosophy of "work is worship," Jagadeesh is also deeply involved in social initiatives. He founded the Sri Om Shanti Friends Association in Shantinagar and organizes an Anna Santarpane (free meal distribution) during the annual Ganesh festival.

He has donated fans to government schools in Nelamangala and supports an annual fashion show for underprivileged children through Home DP Ashraya. Additionally, Jagadeesh contributes to the 92.7 Big FM Children's Medical Aid program and provides financial assistance to orphanages.

He has even helped unemployed youth and struggling families by purchasing auto-rickshaws and setting up vegetable vending businesses, further reinforcing his commitment to social welfare. SG Groups is not just about building homes; it is about building a future—both for its clients and for the communities it

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Built on a Foundation of Trust and Excellence

Sancity
India's leading developer

Dr Vishwa Cariappa B.S., Founder, Sancity Group of Companies

With unwavering dedication and a commitment to trust, Dr. Vishwa Cariappa B.S., established **Sancity Group of Companies** in 2006, which has since grown into a prominent name in the real estate industry. His journey, marked by hard work and perseverance, has seen him scale great heights, making significant contributions not only to business but also to social welfare and education.

Dr Vishwa Cariappa B.S., Originally from Kodagu, has a deep understanding of rural life and the challenges faced by common people. Over the course of his 18-year entrepreneurial journey, he has weathered many ups and downs but has remained steadfast in his vision.

Despite holding a degree in Computer Science Engineering, his passion for entrepreneurship drove him to build a business that today provides employment to thousands. His simplicity and commitment have earned him the respect of many, and he serves as a role model for today's youth.

Guided by the principles of Basavanna, Dr Vishwa Cariappa B.S., emphasizes honesty and dedication in his work. His mission is to provide affordable housing to the underprivileged and middle-class families across Bengaluru and other parts of Karnataka.

Sancity Group not only develops layouts but also ensures customers get home loans from various banks, making the dream of owning a home a reality. With over 25,000 satisfied customers, the company has made its mark by delivering thousands of homes and venturing into diverse sectors including films, IT, e-commerce, construction, and education.

Supporting Employees and Achievers Alike

Sancity Group's charitable arm, San Education and Charitable Trust, provides quality education to thousands of students, lighting up their futures. Under this initiative, the group has offered affordable housing to many and also produced several films.

Recognizing talent, Sancity has provided free plots to more than 10 achievers in the fields of cinema and sports, along with their 70 dedicated employees, demonstrating the company's commitment to social uplift-ment. Registered for Development, Sancity Group has already registered 1 crore square feet of land around Bengaluru and Mysuru, with six new projects underway, attracting over 10,000 customers. All of Dr. Vishwa Cariappa's projects adhere to DC conversion and DTCP-approved guidelines, ensuring quality and reliability. With over 30 successful projects completed, the group continues to thrive in the market.

Contributing to Society

Sancity Group has planted over 25,000 saplings around Bengaluru, Mysuru, Kushalnagar, and Periyapatna, contributing significantly to environmental preservation. During the COVID-19 pandemic, they provided essential supplies to thousands of people. Every year, the group organizes health check-ups, blood donation camps, and eye camps, providing free eye surgeries and restoring vision for hundreds.

To ensure that children aren't deprived of education, they have offered free education to over 800 students and affordable quality education to more than 10,000 children. Dr. Vishwa Cariappa believes that social service can be integrated into business, demonstrating that there are no limits to giving back to the community.

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Building Success Through Dedication

Sapthagiri
PROMOTERS & DEVELOPERS

Yogesh Kumar
Founder of
Sapthagiri Promoters and Developers

Yogesh Kumar, a determined entrepreneur from a humble background, co-founded **Sapthagiri Promoters and Developers** in 2017 with his friends Prashanth and Sumanth in Nelamangala. Today, they stand as a beacon of success in the real estate industry, having sold over 1,000 plots, setting an exemplary standard for others in the field.

Hailing from Kanakapura in Ramanagara district, Yogesh faced numerous challenges in life. After completing his pre-university education, he moved to Bengaluru in search of employment. He spent several years working in various industries before discovering his passion for real estate in 2007.

With a decade of experience under his belt, he embarked on his entrepreneurial journey, launching Sapthagiri Promoters and Developers alongside his friends.

1,000 Sites Sold

Yogesh and his team have successfully navigated the initial challenges of starting a business, and today, they have completed 15 projects across prominent locations, including Doddaballapur, Nelamangala, Devanahalli, and Yelahanka.

Over the past seven years, they have sold more than 1,000 plots in areas like Yelahanka-Doddaballapur Road, Nelamangala Road, and the Bengaluru City vicinity.

Yogesh's vision is to provide over 5,000 sites at competitive prices without compromising quality.

Creating Job Opportunities

When Yogesh and his friends began their venture, they faced the challenge of pooling capital to launch their projects. In the early days, they personally handled marketing and sales, eventually leveraging social media to enhance their reach and successfully drive sales.

As the business has grown, they have provided employment opportunities for 20 individuals and continue to strive towards creating even more job prospects. Through relentless effort and a commitment to excellence, Yogesh Kumar has transformed his aspirations into reality, demonstrating that with determination and teamwork, success is attainable in the competitive world of real estate.

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A Name Synonymous with Excellence

Sharanya Farms
Create your own Sunshine

In a time when urban youth are moving away from agriculture and gravitating towards city life, **Sharanya Farms** is bringing a refreshing and unique approach by encouraging city dwellers, especially IT and BT employees, to reconnect with farming culture.

Rajesh V.M., the visionary behind this initiative, hails from an agricultural family in Virupasandra village, Kanakapura Taluk. In 1995, Rajesh moved to Bengaluru in search of employment, facing many challenges as a middle-class individual.

Yet, he persevered and treated every job as a stepping stone, which eventually led to the establishment of the Sharanya Group of Companies in 2012, marking his entry into the real estate sector.

Birth of Sharanya Farms

Rajesh built his company to great heights and, in 2018, launched Sharanya Farms to introduce urbanites to the joys of farming. Their first project was started in Shravanabelagola on a 25-acre fully developed piece of land, named Sharanya Weekend Village, which left a strong mark in the realm of farm lands.

Rajesh V.M,
Founder of
Sharanya Farms

Customer-Centric Approach

While most real estate ventures are driven by profit, Rajesh's vision with Sharanya Farms is different. He aims to relieve urban residents from the stresses of city life and bring them closer to nature. His goal is to create farm plots where families can spend weekends enjoying peaceful, productive time in nature, all while offering long-term benefits.

Through this initiative, Rajesh has successfully completed three innovative projects, earning tremendous appreciation from customers.

Sharanya Hillway Farms

With thousands of satisfied customers, Sharanya Farms is known for delivering exceptional service. Located near the Mysuru-Malavalli Road, this 25-acre plot offers excellent connectivity and is surrounded by numerous industries.

The development includes a 5-acre luxury resort, which is accessible for free to farmland buyers. Due to its unique concept, this project has drawn immense interest, with registrations filling up fast.

Lucrative Opportunity

For those looking to make a minimal investment with maximum returns, Sharanya Sandal Valley offers an exciting opportunity on a 16.5-acre plot near Mysuru-Malavalli Road. In this innovative project, Sharanya Farms is planting sandalwood trees, which will generate significant profits over 15 years. Buyers of these plots can expect ten times their initial investment from sandalwood cultivation, along with free access to resort facilities. With 80% of the plots already sold, the project is a resounding success.

Recognition and Awards

Rajesh's hard work and unique vision for farm lands have earned him prestigious accolades, including the Times of India Premium Farm Land Seller – 2024 Award and the Real Estate Excellence Award from Vijay Karnataka and Bangalore Mirror.

Upcoming Projects

Sharanya Farms is set to launch the Sharanya Sandal Farm House project on a 20-acre plot near Mysuru-Malavalli Road.

This venture promises excellent returns for investors, with the company offering a 25-30% discount for early buyers. With customers eagerly awaiting its release, this project is set to be another profitable opportunity for investors.

Sharanya Farms continues to lead the way in redefining real estate, combining agriculture with modern living, and offering peace of mind and profitability to its customers.

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The Inspiring Journey of A Visionary Leader in Real Estate

Sindhoor Developers

Dr. D. Venkataramana Swamy, founder of Sindhoor Developers, is a shining example of what determination, hard work, and a clear vision can achieve.

Hailing from a humble farming background, he has risen to become a prominent name in the real estate industry, especially in the Kanakapura region. Besides his accomplishments in real estate, he is also recognized as an expert in the granite business and has earned a solid reputation for his expertise in this sector. His contributions extend to various fields, including politics, business, social work, and education, making him a multifaceted leader.

After venturing into the real estate business in 1987, Venkataramana Swamy founded Sindhoor Developers in 2011. His vision has brought significant development to areas around Harohalli, Sathanur, Magadi, and Tumkur, where his projects cater to the dreams of the lower and middle classes, helping them own affordable homes.

Developing for the Future

With core values of trust, commitment, and reliability, Sindhoor Developers has taken a future-forward approach by developing well-planned and modern residential layouts.

Successfully completing projects like Sindhoor Lotus Park, Sindhoor Mark Park, Sindhoor Natureland, and Sindhoor Nature Pearl, Venkataramana Swamy is now focussing on the Sindhoor Spurthi Developers Project. To date, his company has developed over 150 acres of land, bringing modern housing solutions to the forefront.

Financial Support and Employment Generation

Understanding the financial challenges many face when purchasing a home, Venkataramana Swamy has set up partnerships with seven banks to offer financing solutions to potential buyers. With over 4,000 satisfied customers, Sindhoor Developers has employed a team of 48 specialists dedicated to helping customers navigate banking and loan procedures. The company also employs 180 people, contributing significantly to local job creation.

Granite Expert with International Reach

Venkataramana Swamy's expertise in granite is widely acknowledged across Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and Odisha. His granite business has expanded globally, with exports to Italy and Germany, while his products are in high demand in China, especially for large-scale projects like the Jin Mao Tower in Shanghai. Granite sourced from Odisha, supplied by his company, is particularly sought after in Chinese markets.

A Leader in Politics and Social Service

As a former member of the Kanakapura City Council and chairman of the Health and Education Standing Committee, Venkataramana Swamy has been actively engaged in public service for over 35 years. He is also a long-time member of the Lions Club and serves as the Managing Trustee of Mother Teresa International School, contributing to the education sector. In recognition of his services, the University of Florida awarded him an honorary doctorate in 2016. He has also received the Aryabhata International Award (2011), Kanaka Ratna Award (2018), and the Kannada Rajyotsava Award from the Newspaper Association in 2020.

Social Contributions and Development Initiatives

In Odisha's Badadumla village, Venkataramana Swamy has been running a school for underprivileged children from grades 1 to 10 for the past 20 years. Additionally, he operates two daycare centers in the village of Joripada. Free medical services and medication are also provided to the local community. He has developed local temples in both Kerpad and Joripada and has worked tirelessly to improve the infrastructure and facilities of the Shiv Temple in Badadumla. His philanthropic efforts include donations to orphanages and other social causes, as well as organizing annual eye camps.

Dr. D. Venkataramana Swamy,
Founder of
Sindhoor Developers

Reviving Kanakapura's Heritage

In Kanakapura, Venkataramana Swamy has made significant efforts to restore historical temples, and his dedication to community welfare continues to make a lasting impact. Through his contributions to temple rejuvenation and support for the local population, he has set a benchmark for corporate responsibility and social service.

From his achievements in business to his unwavering commitment to social causes, Dr. D. Venkataramana Swamy's journey is a testament to his vision, perseverance, and passion for making a positive impact on society.

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Building Trust and Excellence in Affordable Housing

SNR SQUARE
ideas that create trusts
GROUP LEGACY SINCE 1979
An ISO 9001 Company

SNR Square Pvt. Ltd. has earned a reputation for honesty and reliability, becoming a blessing for first-time homebuyers in Bengaluru. Not only does the company provide affordable housing, but it also allocates 20% of its profits to social causes, reflecting its commitment to community development.

Led by **Rajdeep Dey**, a visionary in the construction industry, SNR Square has been recognized for its innovative projects over the past 17 years. Rajdeep, who carries forward a legacy of 45 years that began with his father in 1979, took the company to new heights with his relentless efforts as Managing Director.

SNR Square now operates three branches across Guwahati, Mumbai, and Bengaluru. While the Guwahati and Mumbai branches focus on manufacturing and packaging, Bengaluru marks the company's entry into the residential construction sector, offering budget homes to first-time buyers.

Affordable Housing for All

Rajdeep's personal experience of how challenging it can be to buy a home in Bengaluru inspired him to make housing more accessible. SNR Square has taken significant steps to offer affordable plots and homes to the lower and middle-income groups, particularly those migrating to the city for work.

A Trusted Name

With thousands of satisfied customers, SNR Square has built a reputation for delivering quality homes without the need for excessive promotion. The company has already provided over 1,000 well-designed homes at accessible prices and continues to expand with multiple ongoing projects. The company's commitment to transparency and honesty ensures that there is no room for deception or malpractice, making it a trusted name in the industry.

Rajdeep Dey,
Founder of SNR Square Pvt. Ltd

Unforgettable Journey

Rajdeep Dey hails from the small village of Nellie, 72 km from Guwahati. After completing his early education locally, he moved to Bengaluru for higher studies.

He holds a degree from Bangalore University, a Master's in IT and Marketing from Alliance University, and a diploma in International Marketing Management from Bangalore University.

Rajdeep worked in the banking sector from 2002 to 2005 before founding a banking operations company.

However, the lack of opportunities to directly engage with society led him to venture into construction in 2007 alongside his classmates. In 2013-14, he founded SNR Square Pvt. Ltd. and has been successfully growing the business ever since.

Commitment to Social Service

Like his father, Rajdeep is deeply committed to social causes. He donated land from his village in Nellie for the construction of a temple and school, prioritizing religious and educational development.

Having faced his share of challenges, Rajdeep remains grounded, using his business success to uplift others.

He provides support to unemployed youth and struggling families, ensuring they receive the help they need. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he formed a team that supplied essential items to thousands, demonstrating his strong sense of humanitarianism.

Today, SNR Square continues to grow, driven by its core values of integrity, dedication, and social responsibility.

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Building Dreams with Over 60 Apartment Projects

SOWPARNIKA
Delivering Happiness

In the competitive world of real estate, **Sowparnika Projects & Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.** has firmly established itself as a key player, helping the middle class of South India achieve the dream of home ownership. Founded in 2003 by **Ramji Subramaniam**, the company has made its mark in Kerala, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu by delivering quality housing at affordable prices.

Sowparnika has become a trusted name, especially for the economically disadvantaged and middle-class families migrating to cities in search of better opportunities.

With more than 60 apartment projects under its belt, including popular developments like Indraprastha, Vaishnavam, and Valley, Sowparnika has completed over 5.5 million square feet of construction. Another 5 million square feet of projects are currently under development, a testament to the company's growing influence in the region.

Sowparnika's success is not just about buildings; it's about the trust of over 10,000 satisfied customers and the support of more than 700 partners. The company has particularly focused on the rapidly expanding areas of East Bengaluru, such as Whitefield, Hoskote, and Sarjapur Road, where it has launched several large-scale projects.

Over 25 Ongoing Projects

The company has 25 ongoing projects across Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu, employing over 850 people and offering loan facilities to help buyers realize their dreams.

Looking ahead, Sowparnika has ambitious plans to expand into Mumbai and Pune, aiming to break into new markets.

Exciting New Project

Currently, Sowparnika Projects is developing a prestigious residential project named Euphoria in the East in Bengaluru East in Whitefield. This expansive complex, spread over 8.65 acres, will feature 1,102 flats with a mix of 2 BHK and 3 BHK homes.

Even before construction is completed, 40% of the flats have already been sold, highlighting the strong demand for the project.

With a vision to become one of the top 10 residential construction and infrastructure companies in South India, Sowparnika is committed to providing high-quality homes that deliver excellent value to their customers. The company is targeting a turnover of ₹1,000 crore by 2025 by maintaining its customer-first approach and delivering homes that exceed expectations.

Biren Kumar Sahu
CEO
Sowparnika Projects &
Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.

Upcoming Projects

In addition to Euphoria in the East, Sowparnika has over 25 projects in various stages of development across Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu. The company also has plans to launch new ventures in Mumbai and Pune in the near future.

Sowparnika Projects is shaping the future of affordable, high-quality housing across South India, one project at a time.

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Customers as Developers: A New Concept for Affordable Plots

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In most real estate projects, the developer earns a profit. However, the Telecom Employees and Others Housing Welfare Trust has introduced a unique concept where customers themselves become developers! With the customers' own investments, land is purchased and developed, and as a result, all the profits from the project are passed directly to the customers.

The visionary behind this innovative model is **N. Narasimha Murthy**, President Founder, Telecom Employees & Others Housing Welfare Trust (R). He has been providing affordable plots under this innoative"Customers as Developers" concept.

Narasimha Murthy, a former BSNL employee, founded the Telecom Employees & Others Housing Welfare Trust (R) on April 21, 2017. Initially created for telecom employees, this model has since been extended to other sectors. Employees and customers can become members of the trust and apply for plots. Membership is set at a meagre ₹2,100, with ₹1,000 from this amount directed to a welfare fund used for social services such as aiding schools, orphanages, and religious institutions.

N. Narasimha Murthy, President Founder, Telecom Employees & Others Housing Welfare Trust (R)

Unique Concept

"We collect the first and second installments from customers and use that to purchase the land. The third installment is used for land conversion, and the fourth installment is used to develop the land and complete the remaining processes before registering the plots in the customers' names," explains N. Narasimha Murthy.

The Trust does not rely on bank loans or external financiers, which means there are no extra costs or profits taken by a developer. This results in significantly lower prices for customers and employees.

Multiple Layouts Across Cities

Over the past seven years, the Telecom Employees and Housing Welfare Trust has developed layouts in several locations including Bengaluru, Mysuru and Tumakuru. The Trust has undertaken nine projects, starting with Nagavalli in Tumkur. Although progress slowed during the COVID-19 pandemic, eight more projects have since been launched, all of which are currently under development.

The Telecom Hills Residency project in Basavapatna, Tumakuru, has begun with land conversion and layout construction.

A Commitment to Social Service

Narasimha Murthy is equally passionate about social service. He has prioritized education and religious activities, distributing books to 6,000 school children and providing uniforms and blazers to 300 students. Additionally, he manages the Mahalakshmi Temple in Nelamangala.

Headquarters and Branches

The Trust operates from its headquarters in Ganganagar and has two branches. Currently, the Trust employs 25 full-time staff and 60-70 part-time staff.

Upcoming Projects:

- Telecom Hi-Tech City (Devanahalli)
- Telecom Paradise Green (Kundana)
- Telecom Tech Park City (Hejjala)
- Telecom Woodland City (Doddaballapur)
- Telecom Hills Residency (Tumakuru)
- Telecom Sandal City (Mysuru)
- Telecom Ashwa Residency (Kunigal)
- Telecom Evergreen City (Oblapura, Nelamangala)

Awards and Recognition

Narasimha Murthy's contributions have earned him numerous accolades, including the Business Excellence Award and the India Malaysia International Iconic Award. He was also recognized by Khushi Publications as an Emerging Star and his life story has been featured in the book Roots Success.

Rich Legacy

Born into poverty, Narasimha Murthy overcame many challenges, working his way through evening college and eventually joining BSNL. He served as the Secretary of the Bengaluru District Union and as a leader of the Karnataka Circle Union. He was also a member of LCM.

In addition to his real estate ventures, Narasimha Murthy has a passion for the arts. He has been involved in theater and community drama groups, and has even ventured into film direction.

He has written short stories and poetry, and his acting skills earned him the Best Actor Award at the state level. Narasimha Murthy's visionary approach continues to offer affordable housing options while serving the community, making him a unique force in the real estate sector.

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Pioneering Milestones in Real Estate

In the competitive realm of real estate, **K-Square Smart City** has established itself as a trusted brand, setting new milestones with unwavering confidence.

The collaboration between K-Square, founded on steadfast beliefs, and Smart City (formerly Sri Thirumala Projects 2013), which leverages innovative strategies, has created a fresh wave of transformation in the real estate sector.

Founded by **H. Krishnamurthy and N. Subramanya**, K-Square initially gained recognition through the Sri Thirumala Projects. With a legacy spanning 40 years, this esteemed organization has now merged with Smart City, founded by Sunil CS, to deliver unparalleled developments that blend modernity with advanced features.

Visionary duo

Hailing from Tubagere and Cubbonpet, respectively, H. Krishnamurthy and N. Subramanya has consistently prioritized maintaining customer trust since their inception in the real estate industry. This commitment has made them well-known figures in the field.

Alongside their business growth, they have created job opportunities for the underprivileged and middle-class segments, transforming K-Square into a beacon of hope and growth for many. Their positive contributions to the real estate industry are noteworthy.

Sunil C.S.

Hailing from Govinda Shetty Palya near Electronic City, Sunil C S is a multi-faceted leader who seamlessly blends sales, marketing, customer relations, and strategy into his role as the founder of Smartcity.

With expertise in sales, marketing, customer relationship management, and strategy formulation, he has emerged as a multifaceted leader in the real estate industry.

By integrating Smart City with K-Square, he has successfully marketed plots ranging from ₹11 lakh to ₹25 crore, showcasing his marketing acumen.

Renowned for his ability to solve customer-centric problems with innovative solutions, he has helped many from the underprivileged and middle-class sectors achieve their dreams of land ownership in Bengaluru.

A Legacy of Excellence

K-Square Smart City has built a reputation for excellence, commitment, and reliability within the real estate sector.

To date, they have successfully sold approximately 3,900 to 4,000 plots and completed over 10 projects in site development and plot sales.

H. Krishnamurthy & N. Subramanya Founders of K-Square Smart City

Currently, they are engaged in three ongoing projects, serving around 3,600 customers. The company has also provided employment opportunities for approximately 45 individuals.

This integrated organization has been honoured with awards from The Times of India for its exemplary work in the real estate industry, affirming its commitment to quality and innovation.

K-Square Smart City continues to redefine real estate standards, paving the way for future developments.

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A Name Synonymous with Trust

Dr. P.L. Venkatrama Reddy
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When purchasing a home or site in the city, the importance of documentation is matched by the crucial role of reliable developers.

Only when you choose a developer known for quality and timely service can you truly enjoy peace of mind in your new home. One such name, synonymous with transparency and trust, is **V2 Holdings Housing Development Pvt. Ltd.**

Founded by **Dr. P.L. Venkatrama Reddy**, V2 Holdings has made a distinctive mark in the real estate sector. The company has successfully completed 26 projects, catering to over 5,000 satisfied customers across the city. Dr. Reddy's journey is an inspiring one.

He arrived in Bengaluru in search of work, starting his career with a modest salary of ₹200 per month in a finance chit fund. Over time, he established himself as a banker, set up a winery, and made significant contributions to both the education and social welfare sectors.

Driven by his interest in the wine business, travelled to countries like France, Italy, Australia, and Germany to study grapes and wineries.

This knowledge led him to establish Heritage Grape Winery, achieving success in the wine industry. In 2004, he transitioned into real estate, where he found success once again.

In recognition of his remarkable contributions across various sectors, including the cooperative field, Dr. Reddy was awarded an honorary doctorate by the Yoga-Samskrutham University, USA.

His leadership has also earned him several prestigious awards. V2 Holdings has won the trust of thousands of customers by offering high-quality apartments with world-class amenities at affordable prices. The company continues to fulfill the dreams of those aspiring to own a home in Bengaluru.

Financial Support

V2 Holdings offers financial assistance through partnerships with top banks like SBI, HDFC, and ICICI, making it easier for customers to secure loans for purchasing flats. The company's unwavering commitment to quality has made it a preferred choice among home buyers.

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V2 Vajra Elegance: Located on Uttarahalli Main Road, next to Kengeri Metro Station, this luxury residential project is progressing swiftly. With a basement, ground, and 9 floors, it offers 150 premium flats. Spread over 76% open space, only flats with north and east-facing entrances are available.

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Techie Turned Real Estate Mogul

Starting his career as a software engineer and rising to become a prominent figure in the real estate industry, **Venkateswarlu Murum Reddy,** Managing Director of Vinayakaiah Builders & Developers Pvt. Ltd., embodies his ambitious vision of creating employment opportunities for hundreds.

Originally hailing from Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, his path to success was not without challenges. Like many, he faced significant financial losses early in his real estate career. However, his relentless drive and commitment to hard work propelled him forward, and today he stands tall as a successful real estate entrepreneur. In 2011, Venkateswarlu started his journey in real estate with friends, and by 2015, he founded his own company-Vinayakaiah Builders & Developers Pvt. Ltd. His projects, known for their superior quality, quickly earned him widespread recognition.

Completed Projects

Thanks to his dedication and integrity, Vinayakaiah Builders & Developers Pvt. Ltd has reached remarkable heights in just 10 years. His portfolio includes six successfully completed projects, such as Sri Mitra Spring Woods in Whitefield's ECC Road, Dharani Prakruthi Park in Sarjapur Bagalur Road, Dharani Samruddhi in Aggondapalli, Vinayakaiah Akhuratha Arcade in HRBR Layout, Vinayakaiah Enclave, and Vinayakaiah Sumukha Govardhanam near Lingarajapuram's Oil Mill Road.

Ongoing Projects

Currently, the company has four major ongoing projects, including Vinayakaiah VHS Sites near Babusa Palya on Ring Road, Vinayakaiah Park Avenue in HRBR Layout, VG Royal Enclave at HBR, Vinayakaiah JD Arcade near New Bamboo Bazaar Road in Shivajinagar, and VG Boat Club in Ramanashree Nagar, Gottigere. Additionally, three new projects are in the pipeline, promising even more growth in the near future.

Vision for Cinema

With real estate as his foundation, Venkateswarlu aims to make a mark in the film industry, driven by a passion to deliver meaningful messages through cinema. He envisions shedding light on social issues and driving positive change.

Moreover, he plans to support underprivileged artists by providing them opportunities to showcase their talent. Just as he conquered real estate, Venkateswarlu is confident that his venture into cinema will be equally successful.

Venkateswarlu Murum Reddy,
Managing Director of
Vinayakaiah Builders &
Developers Pvt. Ltd

Personal Background

Born into a middle-class agricultural family in a small village in Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, Venkateswarlu completed his early education locally. He went on to earn a Master's degree in Computer Applications from University of Madras in 2002. Before embarking on his real estate journey, he worked as a software engineer for seven years at prestigious companies like CSC, Ford, Jaguar, and Land Rover.

Humble & Genuine Personality

Despite reaching great heights in the competitive real estate industry, Venkateswarlu remains deeply rooted in simplicity. Known for his relentless determination to achieve his goals, he treats landowners and clients with the utmost respect and courtesy.

Once an employee in another company, he now provides employment to over 150 people. He is recognized for his humanitarian approach, especially when it comes to addressing the concerns of his workers, always resolving issues promptly. His commitment to ensuring customer satisfaction by delivering essential amenities has earned him widespread admiration.

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 # Humble Mithunda

Actor Mithun Chakraborty on Monday said if someone from a humble origin such as his can get the Dadasaheb Phalke award then others too with the dedication and spirit of hard work, can

Maria healed her

Angelina Jolie says playing Maria Callas helped heal a part of her

Angelina Jolie shared her experience of playing the role of Maria Callas in director Pablo Larrain's biographical psychological drama film 'Maria', reported Deadline. She called it a "once in a lifetime" role, adding, "I mean, it's certainly the most challenging." 'Maria' is a film about opera singer Maria Callas. It is directed by Pablo Larrain, written by Steven Knight, and produced by Fremantle.

Angelina spent seven months memorising six of the tragic arias linked with Callas, who died of a heart attack at her Paris home on September 16, 1977. She was 53. Playing such a role itself comes with a responsibility and Jolie shared that she always wanted to work with director Pablo Larrain and for her getting "this kind of work is not asked" very often.

Her experience in the film, "to be in the footsteps of someone you truly admire was beyond anything I could imagine, and it was a gift emotionally for me". About the role, she said, it "changed me as a person. It helped heal a part of me." Recalling how how it affected her personally, she shared, "It would be too personal to explain. But from that first day [on set] not being able to breathe and crying to singing at the top of my lungs at La Scala, Milan, those moments changed me," according to Deadline.

—ANI

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Y MAHESWARA REDDY

From assistant to director

Kannadiga Agni aka Narasimha is set to graduate from being an assistant director to independent director. Narasimha is known for his YouTube channel Kannadiga Agni and he has worked as assistant for Sapta Sagaradaache Ello directed by Hemanth Rao. Now, he is ready with a script to helm a horror movie.

"I am from Myusuru and used to work in London with my wife. My passion towards movies made us make some short films. I earned name and fame for my analysis and reviews of Kannada movies on my YouTube channel – Kannadiga Agni," he said.

He quit the job in London and came to Bengaluru to work with director Pavan Kumar for a Kannada movie in which Power Star Puneet Rajkumar was supposed to play the lead. "I got an opportunity to work with director Pavan Kumar after the latter watched my short film Mandya Haida with Alien Alamelamma. Pavan Kumar assured me of an opportunity to work with him for the movie Dvitva but the untimely demise of Power Star Puneeth Rajkumar shattered my dreams. With no other option, I went back to London and then returned to Bengaluru when I got a chance to work as assistant to director Hemanth Rao," he said.

Back-to-back films

Durga Mohan, a software engineer, is set to join the list of software engineers who helm movies. Durga Mohan debuts with the film Navadiganta that is currently being shot at Dabaspet.

He has announced two more Kannada movies – Aa.. Ee… and Raja Deva Sindhu- recently. The muhurat function of the movies was held at Renukamba Preview Theater at Malleswaram. The movies will be bankrolled under the RSP Productions-Chinmay Cini Creations banner.

Durga Mohan said that director-cum-actor late Kashinath was an inspiration for him to write the script for the movies. "The movie Aa … Ee… is about village life and city life. The movie conveys a message to youth on the importance of selecting good methods to lead life with dignity," the director said. Bhargav is assigned to play a double role in the movie while Raghavendra Rajkumar will play an important character in the movie. Sudha Rani, Swetha Sanketh, Bhavasakhi Thimmaiah, Monica Vasishta are the cast. "As of now, the shooting of Navadiganta is in progress. The movie Aa… Ee… will go on floors next month," he said.

He said the other movie – Raja Deva Sindhu – belongs to the fantasy genre.

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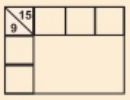
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.



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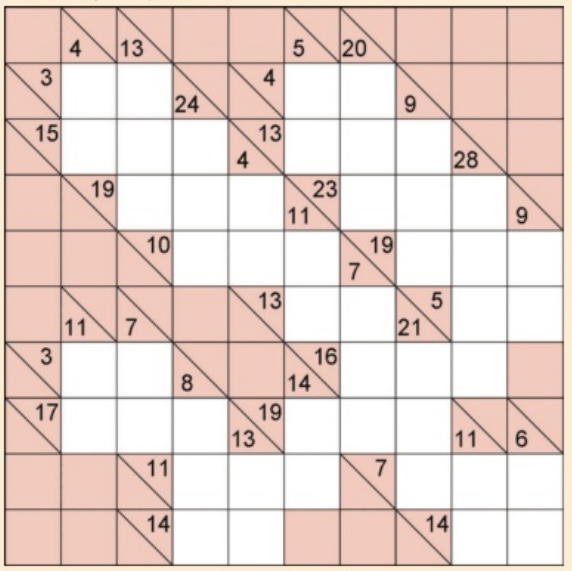

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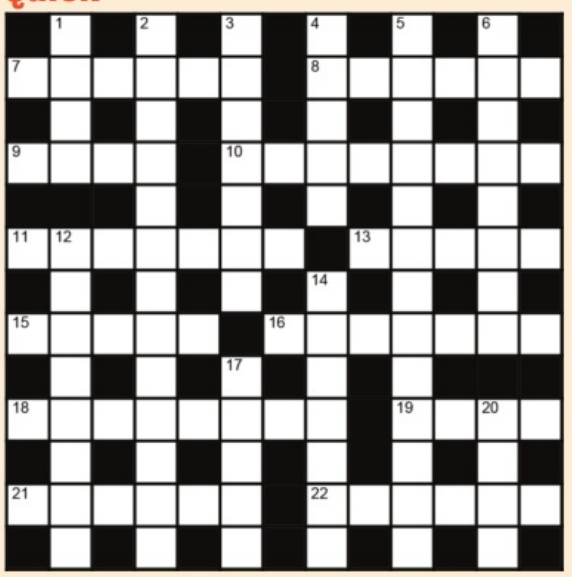


ACROSS

7 World's largest country (6)
8 Karnataka Lake home to a bird sanctuary (6)
9 Clay water jar (4)
10 First showing of play or film (8)
11 Personal file (7)
13 Shrek and his kin (5)
15 Mock attack (5)
16 Ambassador's office (7)
18 Christened or named (8)
19 To listen to (4)
21 Indicate (6)
22 One in a movement that's everlasting! (6)

DOWN

1 Lacklustre (4)
2 Arranged killing (13)
3 Tries out (7)
4 ___ on : encouraged or abetted ? (5)
5 An office device for plus maths (6,7)
6 Supervises, regulates or manages (8)
12 Performed surgery (8)
14 Made or became dirty (7)
17 Off-center (5)
20 In the distance (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: M EQUALS T

POHMVMSLF VQ RIM IRYX MJF POFHMFQM IA KVOMSFQ, CSM MJF DHOFRM IA HYY IMJFOQ.

Linemaro

I'm single, you're single. Co-incidence? I think not

Mindchow

Everything will be ok in the end. If it's not ok, it's not the end

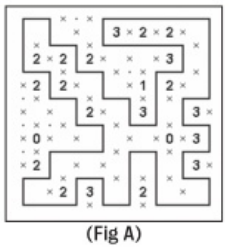
Joke of the day

I bought a 100-rupee pen because I always lose pens and I am sick of not caring

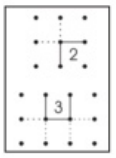
Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)

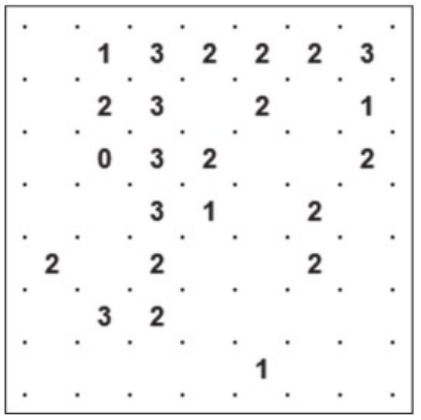


(Fig B) Not Allowed

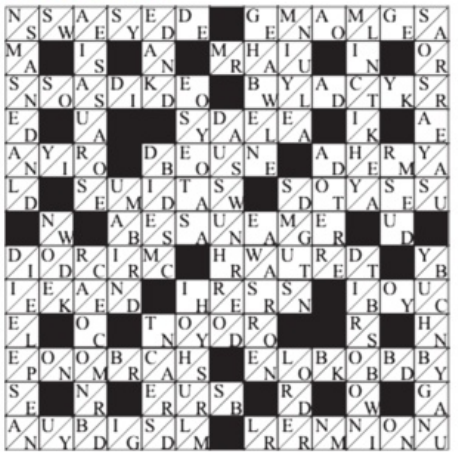
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



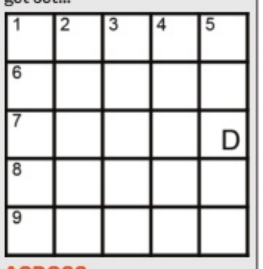
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

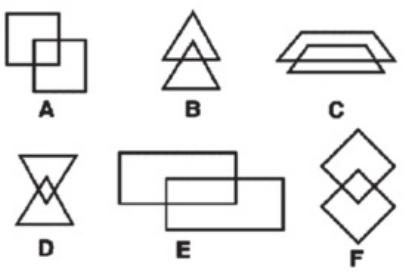
1 Ceils; 6 Lenin; 7 To cad; 8 Sheet; 9 Hider

DOWN

1 Holts; 2 Chili; 3 Inert; 4 As EEC; 5 Den Ed

Mensapuzzle

Which figure is the odd one out, based on a simple design reason?



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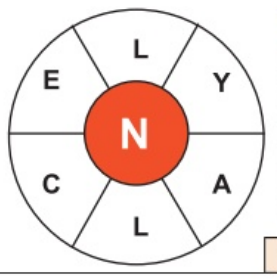


How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

05 Average; 06 Good; 08 Outstanding

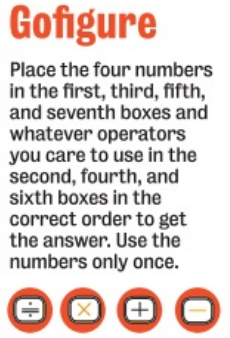
SudokuChallenge

	5	4				9	3	
		3	6		2	1		
6		8				4		2
			1		7			
		5		2		6		
			3		6			
1		9				8		3
		6	9		4	5		
	3	7				2	4	

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



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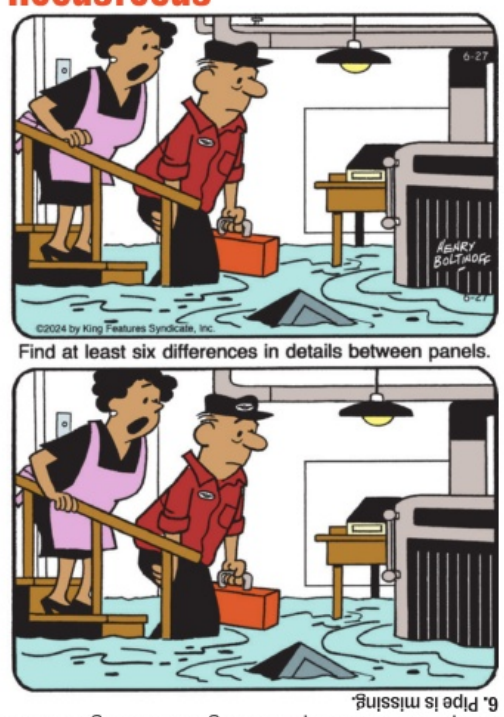


Find at least six differences in details between panels.

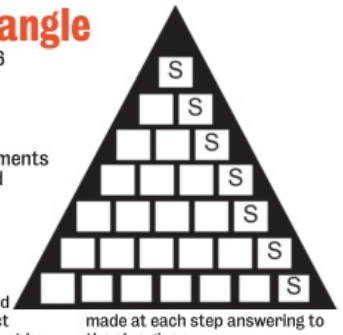
Differences: 1. Light is moved. 2. Arm is moved. 3. Cap is different. 4. Apron is longer. 5. Table leg is moved. 6. Pipe is missing.

Riddler

White flesh, drinks dew, Gives milk, won't moo, Hairy head, over sand, Has a palm, but no hand. What is it?

Alpha triangle

1 Atomic number 16
2 You and me
3 Maritime letters
4 Takes to court
5 Suppose
6 Customs,employments
7 Not solid or liquid



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

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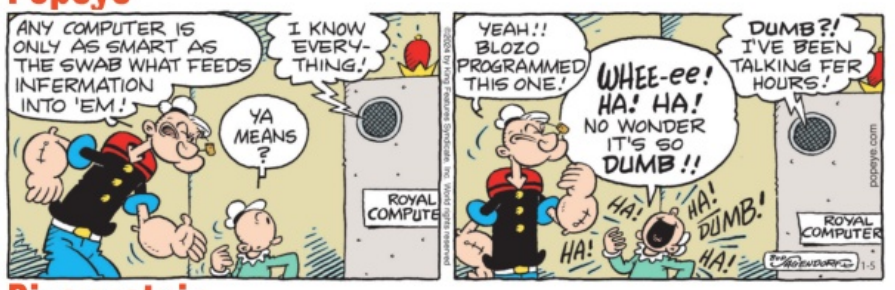
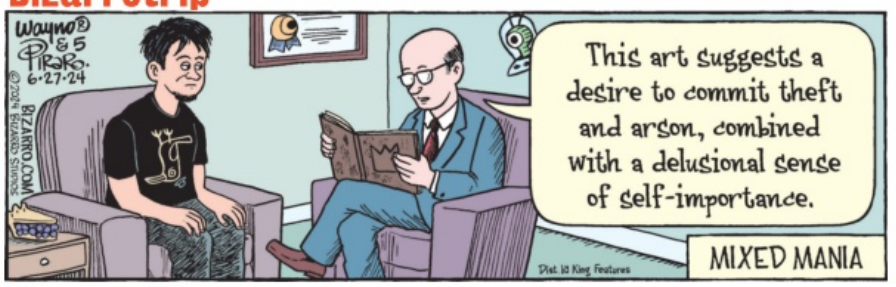
COMICS

Popeye


ANY COMPUTER IS ONLY AS SMART AS THE SWAB WHAT FEEDS INFERMATION INTO 'EM!
I KNOW EVERY-THING!
YA MEANS ?
ROYAL COMPUTE
YEAH!! BLOZO PROGRAMMED THIS ONE!
WHEE-ee! HA! HA! NO WONDER IT'S SO DUMB!!
DUMB?! I'VE BEEN TALKING FER HOURS!
HA! HA! DUMB! HA! HA!
ROYAL COMPUTER
popeye.com

Bizarrotrip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This art suggests a desire to commit theft and arson, combined with a delusional sense of self-importance.
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Diamond Lil

Hart of the city

HEART, RIGHT?
HEY! YEAH, HEART LAMARR.
COOL. EVERYONE SAYS YOU'RE, LIKE, THE THEATER PERSON.
ANYWAY, I'LL SEE YOU AROUND. I'M AUDITIONING FOR THE NEXT PLAY!
HE KNOWS MY FULL NAME...
SHOULD I GET A BUCKET?

Crankshaft

Mutts

WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT YOUR NEW LIFE, SPARKY?
IS IT YOUR HOUSE? IS IT YOUR BED? IS IT YOUR FOOD BOWL? IS IT YOUR SHNACKY SHNAX? IS IT YOUR TOYS?
MY Doozy.
6-27

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today you may expect some instant gains in your business, which may boost your confidence level as well as bank balance. It is advised to avoid stress in domestic life. There would be some momentum on the business and work front. Your prestige may be increased. You may also plan for an overseas trip.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today blessing from elders may make you confident. You can follow your intuition before taking any initiatives which may help you at work. Your intuition may help to gain more in terms of finance. You may likely visit some religious places with your family members. You must control your arrogance to enjoy your domestic life. Students may expect good results with the help of destiny.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today things would not be favourable to you. You may feel dull and unhappy. Some mysterious fear may make you upset. You may likely be attracted to the occult. You may feel a lack of confidence, which may affect your work. It is advised to avoid rash driving and risky adventure tours.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today you are blessed by the moon. Love would be in the air in terms of personal life. Singles may find suitable matches. You may do better in terms of professional life. Your friends and subordinate staff may likely support you.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today you may be able to make a balance between your earnings and expenses, which may boost your bank balance. You may likely perform better in your job. Your boss can give you new responsibilities in terms of promotions. You may get back your money which was stuck. You may be able to control your opponents and hidden enemies.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today you may be in a hurry. You are advised to drive safely. But with the blessing of the elders, you may come out of the messy situation. You are likely to be more romantic in your love life, harmony in domestic life may increase. You may expect some positive results in new partnerships. Love birds may enjoy their happy moments. Students may hear good news in terms of academics.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today you may feel dull due to sleeplessness. You may be scattered towards your goals, which may affect your working efficiency, you may plan to visit some religious places. But in the late evening, you may be blessed by your elders; you may find out your mistakes and may make a good plan for the coming day. You are advised to take care of your parent's health.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today your subordinate staff may be cooperative, it may help you to complete postponed projects. You are likely to join some social events, which may boost your network, it may help you in your work or social life. You may plan to go for an outing with friends. Some disputes with friends may be settled now. Students are advised to avoid carelessness.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today your communication skills may help you on the professional front. You may likely be more polite with everyone around you, which may help you to speed up your projects. Love birds may likely exchange their views with each other, which may make some foundation for their relationship.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you are blessed by the moon. New partnership may give you benefits. Your energy level may likely be high. Your hard work and enthusiasm may pay you off in terms of financial gains. Your self respect may protect you from negative people around you.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today you may feel dull and unhappy. You are advised to avoid harsh conversations with friends and family members. You may also not be able to get proper reciprocation for your hard work. You need to follow your intuition. It is advised to keep patience while making some important decisions.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today new sources of income may likely be opened. Your past investments may give you good profit, which will boost your bank balance. You may likely connect with a social organisation, which will increase your network. Singles may find a soul mate in terms of marriage.

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SOLVE IN 1M
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BULL'S EYE
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MENSA PUZZLE
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QUOTE UNCODE
Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all others.

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SUDOKU

ALPHA TRIANGLE
S, Us, USS, Sues, Guess, Usages, Gaseous.

GO FIGURE
Easy
5 + 8 + 3 – 6 = 10
Medium
3 + 4 x 1 + 5 = 12
Hard
8 x 6 – 9 + 2 = 41

LOOP

KAKURO

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